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In re application of:)
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Filed: December 10, 1996) Art Unit: 1762
For: RECORDING MEDIA HAVING) AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 27, 1998, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 39, and please cancel claim 38, as follows. All claims, as amended, are set forth for convenient reference.

1. (Twice Amended) A method for producing magnetic recording media, the method comprising:
3 forming a magnetic layer over a substrate;
4 supporting the substrate in a deposition chamber;
5 ionizing a source material in a plasma chamber so as to
6 form a plasma containing ions which comprise carbon; and

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